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In connection with the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the certified copy of Application No. 100 58 630.9, filed in the Federal Republic of Germany on November 25, 2000, to which the present application claims priority.

A claim for foreign priority to the foregoing application was made, *inter alia*, in the "Claim to Convention Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119," which was mailed on March 22, 2002. A certified copy the above-referenced priority application was submitted with the "Claim to Convention Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119." A copy of the "Claim to Convention Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119" is annexed hereto along with a copy of the first page of the certified copy of the above-referenced priority application. The "Claim to Convention Priority Under 35 U.S.C. § 119" includes a certificate of mailing, which states that the date of deposit with the United States Postal Service was March 22, 2002. Also enclosed herewith is a copy of the date-stamped postcard, which itemizes and identifies that the above-referenced priority application was filed and serves as *prima facie* evidence

of receipt in the United States Patent and Trademark Office of all items listed thereon on the date stamped thereon by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, *i.e.*, April 1, 2002.

Applicants respectfully request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the certified copy of the above-referenced priority application by Supplemental Notice of Allowance or otherwise.

This application was allowed on May 27, 2004. Payment of the issue fee in this application is due on August 27, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the Supplemental Notice of Allowance or other communication acknowledging receipt of the certified copy of the priority document be issued prior to the issue fee due date.

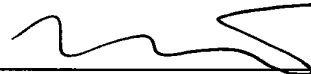
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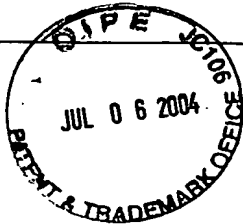
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A claim to the Convention Priority Date pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119 of Application No. **100 58 630.9** filed in the **Federal Republic of Germany** on **November 25, 2000** is hereby made. To complete the claim to the Convention Priority Date, a certified copy of the priority application is attached.

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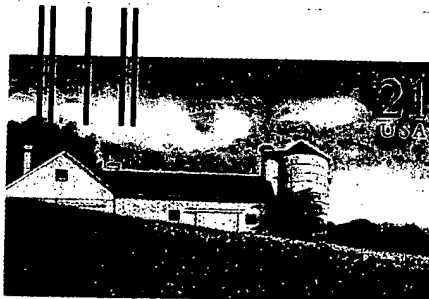
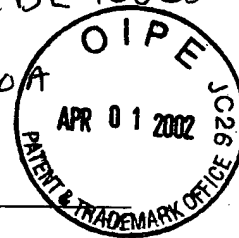
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